United States District Court Southern District of Texas

ENTERED

November 21, 2017 David J. Bradley, Clerk

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

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§	CIVIL ACTION NO. H-17-2095
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SCHEDULING AND DOCKET CONTROL ORDER

1.	December 22, 2017	DEADLINE TO ADD NEW PARTIES AND AMEND COMPLAINT The attorney causing the addition of new parties will provide copies of this Order to new parties.	
2.	January 12, 2018	DEADLINE TO FILE ANSWER	
3.	February 16, 2018	MOTIONS FOR LEAVE TO AMEND PLEADINGS Parties filing motions after this deadline must show good cause.	
4a.	February 23, 2018	EXPERTS ON MATTERS OTHER THAN ATTORNEY'S FEES The plaintiff (or the party with the burden of proof on an issue) will designate expert witnesses in writing and provide the report required by Rule 26(a)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.	
4b.	March 23, 2018	The opposing party will designate expert witnesses in writing and provide the report required by Rule 26(a)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.	
5.	May 18, 2018	MEDIATION Mediation or other form of dispute resolution must be completed by this deadline.	

6. June 15, 2018 COMPLETION OF DISCOVERY

> Written discovery requests are not timely if they are filed so close to this deadline that under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure the response would not be due until after the

deadline.

7. July 13, 2018 PRETRIAL DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS DEADLINE

No motion may be filed after this date except for good cause.

8. September 14, 2018 JOINT PRETRIAL ORDER AND MOTION IN LIMINE **DEADLINE**

> The Joint Pretrial Order will contain the pretrial disclosures required by Rule 26(a)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Plaintiff is responsible for timely filing the complete Joint Pretrial Order. Failure to file a Joint Pretrial Order timely may lead to dismissal or other sanction in

accordance with the applicable rules.

8. September 21, 2018 **DOCKET CALL**

> Docket Call will be held at 2:00 p.m. in Courtroom 11-B, United States Courthouse, 515 Rusk, Houston, Texas. No documents filed within 7 days of the Docket Call will be considered. Pending motions may be ruled on at docket call, and the case will be set for trial as close to the docket call as practicable.

9. Additional orders relating to disclosures, discovery, or pretrial motions:

Any party wishing to make any discovery motions should arrange for a pre-motion conference with the court before the preparation and submission of any motion papers. That includes a motion to compel, to quash, or for protection. Email Mrs. Eddins at Lisa Eddins@txs.uscourts.gov or fax her at 713-250-5213 to arrange for a pre-motion conference. Notify your adversary of the date and time for the conference.

SIGNED on November 20, 2017, at Houston, Texas.

Lee H. Rosenthal

Chief United States District Judge